

TO STRENGTHEN MILITARY DISCIPLINE AT A. AND M.

Two Additional Sergeants, U. S. A., Detailed to Assist Commandant
Lieut. L. G. Brown.

To insure increased efficiency in the administering of discipline and in the department of military science, two retired sergeants of the United States army have been detailed to assist the commandant of cadets at the A. and M. College. With Sergeant Kenny, who has been detailed at the college for five years, this makes three assistants for Lieut. L. G. Brown, commandant. The sergeants will make daily and nightly inspection of dormitories, both to inspect the condition of the rooms and the boys' conduct. They also will support the senior officers in administering discipline.

Sergt. George Smart, retired first sergeant, arrived at the college today from Maine and Sergt. John Linder, retired ordnance sergeant, will arrive in a few days. Both men have seen thirty years' service in the regular army, and Sergeant Smart has engaged in a number of battles with the Moros.

Sergeant Kenny, present office assistant to Lieutenant Brown, has been stationed at the college for five years. He knows every student at the college, and while he is firm in his treatment of them, he is nevertheless liked by all.

"By allowing me these three men a long step has been taken toward increasing the efficiency of the military training and at the same time increasing the efficiency of the administration of discipline," said Lieutenant Brown today. "One of these sergeants will be present at every formation of the cadet corps and every dormitory will be thoroughly inspected twice a day. These assistants will take most of the office work off my shoulders, enabling me to devote most of my time to the section room, target practice, and field drills. Of course I will still assess the demerits for offenders, but the sergeants will support the senior officers in their discipline work."

The A. and M. College for several years has held the rank of "distinguished military school," there being only ten such schools in the United States.

CITY COUNCIL MEETS IN REGULAR SESSION

City Secretary Takes Oath of Office.
New City Electrician Appointed.
Much Business Before Council.

The regular monthly meeting of the City Council was held Friday night, with Mayor W. W. Harris presiding and Aldermen Levy, Vick, Haswell, Wilson and Daly present. Minutes of previous meetings read and adopted. Henry Crenshaw, recently appointed City Secretary to fill the unexpired term of John A. Moore, resigned, was sworn in and assumed the duties of the office this morning.

Motion by Alderman Haswell, seconded by Alderman Wilson, that Bryan Press Company be allowed rental deposit for amount paid by it for putting in sewerage at the compress. Motion by Alderman Haswell, seconded by Alderman Vick, that advance rental of \$25 each made by A. W. Buchanan and C. S. Jones be accepted and electric light service be extended to their respective residences. Motion carried.

Application was made to the Council by the Brazos County Development Company that the city extend its water mains to Oak Grove and the new school building in that addition. The matter was referred to the ordinance committee, with Alderman Wilson added, with instructions to report at next meeting.

Motion made by Alderman Daly, seconded by Alderman Wilson, that Judge W. T. Young be allowed the sum of \$74.41 as commission for collecting delinquent taxes. Carried.

On motion of Alderman Haswell the secretary was instructed to refund \$7.42 taxes, being a double rendition on lot 3 and one-half of lot 2, block 187.

Motion by Alderman Vick that Mrs. Braatz be refunded \$17.25 overcharge in city taxes for the year 1912. Carried.

Motion by Alderman Haswell that \$1000 of the sewer funds be transferred to water improvement account. Carried.

Motion made by Alderman Daly, seconded by Alderman Wilson, that Charles G. Smith be employed as city electrician at a salary of \$100 a month. Motion carried unanimously. Motion by Alderman Haswell that

the secretary notify the Houston and Texas Central and International and Great Northern railroads in regard to their switching in the daytime, complaints having been made by several that the trainmen are too reckless and lives are endangered.

In addition to the above quite a number of things were discussed, but no action taken, chiefly among which was the disposition of the sewage of the city. Some favored the present plan while others opposed it. After much discussion the question was passed and will be considered at another meeting.

Report of City Treasurer Ed Hall, showing the balances in the various funds at the close of business August 30, 1913, was read and approved, as follows:

Credit Balances.	
Water department	\$ 771.54
Light department	86.96
Sewer department	793.78
General fund	719.03
Street appropriations	778.88
School fund	285.59
Special street bonding fund	14.95
Westside school bond fund	2.97
Waterworks ref. bond fund	378.00
City hall bonding fund	405.28
Water, light and sewer plant bond fund	643.02
Water imp. bond fund	236.61
Electric light ext. bond fund	202.11
Sewer ext. bond fund	161.86
Total	\$5,580.58

Overdrawn Accounts.	
Water improvement account	\$2,909.63
Public imp. ref. bond fund	38.02
Total	\$2,947.65

Credit bal. in bank Aug. 30	\$2,632.93
Bond fund and school fund	2,330.29
Net checking account	\$302.54

"Chouse" Seymour.
There was an Irish actor named Seymour, who had the nickname "Chouse," which came from his unlucky slip in the passage in "Othello," "When I love thee not chaos is come again." It was in Cork that he made the break, and Cork did not forget. When he returned a year later the city was placarded by an artist in chalk, "Chouse has come again." He played Othello, and the gallery observed, "Duced good, Chouse!" The dying Moor sat up, shook his fist in the direction of the observer and invited him, if he were a man, to come down and have his head punched.

House of Retired Wives.
One of the most interesting houses we saw in Algiers was the "House of the Retired Wives."

It stands directly opposite the Catholic cathedral, which was once the palace of the bey; and the House of the Retired Wives is now occupied by the archbishop.

When the bey was supreme in Algiers, before the intervention of France, the palace contained several hundred wives. And as new ones were frequently added, old ones had to be retired. So as a wife became superfluous or undesired, for any reason, she was sent across the street, where she had much more freedom than in the bey's palace; for there she was supposed to keep to her own apartments and not wander about at will. In the House of the Retired Wives she could move about at will.

She left all jewels and valuable presents which the bey had bestowed upon her in the palace for her successors, but she was fed and clothed until she died in her new home.—National Magazine.

Whirlpool Suggested Silencer.

Mr. Maxim had been working on the development of automobile engine mufflers for some time before he thought of a silencer in connection with a gun. In addition to this was the inventor's desire to enjoy target practice without creating a disturbance. Experiment ensued, covering a couple of years and all kinds of valves, vents, bypasses, expansion chambers, etc., but without success. One morning after his bath the inventor noticed the small whirlpool over the drain hole, the action of which retards the egress of the water. It does not silence it (as this phenomenon is usually accompanied by a more or less pronounced sucking sound), but in a gun the noise of firing is caused by the sudden egress of the gases, and if these could in the same way be slowed down the noise would in proportion be decreased. Acting on this suggestion, a little tube was then made, constructed so as to induce a whirlpool in the escaping gases from the gun. This, when tried, was a success.—American Machinist.

An Anniversary.

A man may be rough looking and yet have a touch of sentiment about him.

A ragged, ill kept looking man appeared at the door of a Providence woman's home, and in a pleading tone asked:

"Have you a piece of cake, lady, to give a poor man who hasn't had a bite for two days?"

"Cake?" echoed the woman in surprise. "Isn't bread good enough for you?"

"Ordinarily, yes, ma'am. But this is my birthday," explained the tramp.—Harper's Magazine.

Conserve Your Steam.

A man who never amounted to much once got a job running the engine of a sawmill. He was greatly impressed with the importance of his position and wanted every one to know that he was the man who made all the wheels go round. The first morning he steamed up the engine he jerked the whistle wide open and made the welkin ring for miles around, saying to himself as the echoes bounced over the hills, "I am certainly the big noise in this part of the country." Just then the foreman started the force on a big day's work and discovered that there was not enough steam left to start the machinery. He of the big noise was promptly canned, and the job was given to a hole. Moral.—You can't saw wood if you use all the steam blowing your whistle.—Exchange.

Poe's Airship Hoax.

Edgar Allen Poe was a pioneer in the art of aerial boxing. In 1844 the New York Sun announced one morning: "Astounding news! Atlantic crossed in three days! Triumph of Mr. Monck Mason's flying machine!" Folks rushed for the paper, and found therein a long and detailed account of the crossing of the Atlantic in a steerable balloon by Mr. Monck Mason, Harrison Ainsworth and four others. The balloon was minutely described, long extracts were printed from a diary which Harrison Ainsworth was supposed to have kept on the way, and the whole story had such a touch of truth that it took some days for New Yorkers to realize how completely they had been hoaxed.—London Chronicle.

Uses For Old British Uniforms.

Black cloth clothes purchased by secondhand dealers, provided they are too far gone to be "revived," are sent to France, Russia and Poland to be made into caps, which the working people of these countries wear. The castoff red coats of the British soldiers almost all go to Holland, for in that damp country the people have a notion that red cloth keeps off rheumatism. Therefore, all careful Dutchmen of the laboring classes wear red cloth waistcoats next their skin. These are made by cutting off the sleeves of the British soldiers' red coats and altering the shape a little. The showy uniforms of the guards and the full dress liveries of the lord mayor's footmen and the royal servants come into the hands of the old clothes dealers and go chiefly to the south coast of Africa, where they are sold to the native chiefs. Travelers are sometimes amused at being received in full state by a swarthy chief on his throne dressed out in footman's livery or a rifleman's uniform.—London Answers.

When we read, we fancy we could be martyrs; when we come to act we cannot bear a provoking word.—Hannah More.

Dreamland.

All dreams are rapid. A tutor fell asleep as a scholar was reciting, dreamed a little playlet and awoke to hear the end of the boy's sentence, elapsed time not more than fifteen seconds. Touch, sight and hearing are prominent in dreams, but taste and smell exceptionally rare. Dreams can be made to order by outsiders, but not by the dreamer. Tell "First" in the ear of a sound sleeper or allow a sudden draft of cold air to play on the back of his neck and he will dream to order, but he can't go to sleep with his mind made up to dream of any certain thing and then actually dream of it. In spite of this fact books are sold in Europe which tell what one must do in order to dream the lucky number in the lottery. Furthermore, there are no ethics in dreamland. One sees or commits himself the most atrocious crime with no feeling of pity or guilt.—Chicago Tribune.

Power of Suggestion.

What he calls an "effective suggestion test" is given by Professor Hugo Munsterberg in an article on "How Can We Know Ourselves?" in the Youth's Companion. "Draw several pairs of circles," writes the psychologist, "and let your friend decide which circle in each pair is the larger. In some cases make one circle slightly larger than the other; usually, however, make the circles of each pair the same size. In each circle write a figure of two digits. Although the circles are alike, you will find that if in one you have written a small number, such as twenty-one, and in the other a larger number, such as seventy-nine, the boy or girl who is open to suggestion will tell you that the circle that contains the higher number is the larger. The size of the number suggests a wrong idea about the size of the circles."

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